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Pope Leo has directed an appeal to the people of all the world to exert all possible influence in behalf of peace between the British and the Boers.

His action comes at an opportune time, because both sides are considering means of ending hostilities disastrous to British and Boers. The British lost up to January 1 last 25,000 officers and men in addition to 65,000 "invalided" who were sent home. The cost of the war has already exceeded \$715,000,000, and the current expenses are \$22,500,000 a month. The Boer losses are not known, but about 36,000 Boers are held prisoners, and a large part of South Africa is devastated.

H. Clay Evans has resigned the office of commissioner of pensions in a letter to the president dated March 15, 1902. This announcement was made at the White House Sunday night, together with a statement to the effect that the President will not accept the resignation "until there is some position to tender him which the President will regard as a promotion, and so a fitting reward for his excellent services in the department." For a long time Evans has been under fire of pension attorneys and old soldiers, who claimed that he was too arbitrary in his decisions, hence in many quarters his resignation is regarded as proposed retirement under pressure.

The McCullough campaign has had the benefit of four years of assiduous cultivation. It has not been stunted in resources of fertilization. Under the influence of the recent spring rains it may fairly be supposed to be now at its best estate of growth.

There are yet two months to the harvest in June. There is plenty of time for men to think and act for themselves. The appeal in this canvass is not to the political workers—to those who are accustomed in each campaign to "take care of things." It is to the men on the farms and in the shops—to those who do the everyday work of life. Fletcher Proctor's strength must come from this source if it comes at all. Our only advice or appeal to such men is to keep themselves unpledged to personal solicitation, and to act on their own convictions when the time to act comes.

The price of meat is now the highest in 26 years, and the artillery of the newspapers all over the country is being directed against the beef trust. It is claimed that four firms are handling \$560,000,000 of the yearly business of \$600,000,000, and that the great rise in price has been fixed arbitrarily by the trust which controls the live stock markets of the West. In proof of the assertion that supply and demand do not fix the price in this country it is claimed that the combination has sold beef, in spite of the ocean freights, in England at a rate lower than this country. The federal anti-trust law is said to be inoperative on the trust, as the combination is simply a "gentlemen's agreement," and not an immense consolidated concern. At the present prices beef raising ought to be a paying industry in the East.

Gov. Stickney is to be commended in his selection of Hon. Seneca Haseltin of Burlington to fill a vacancy on the Vermont supreme bench. The Democratic party has not been represented by a supreme court judge since 1884, when Timothy P. Redfield declined a reelection. There was no good reason for making the supreme court solidly Republican if the Democrats had a desirable candidate and Mr. Haseltin is generally recognized as the best fitted man for the honor in his party. He was born in Westford in 1848, graduated from the University of Vermont in 1871, was an instructor in mathematics in the University of Michigan while pursuing his legal studies there, and on being admitted to the bar settled in Burlington. He was city judge in Burlington many years, represented the city in the legislature in 1886, was mayor three terms, and was minister to Venezuela during President Cleveland's second administration. Judge Rowell of Randolph now becomes chief judge of the supreme court, with Judge James M. Tyler of Brattleboro next in seniority.

The Brattleboro Phoenix doesn't get any honor to itself by the manner in which it slanders F. W. Baldwin of Barton. The Phoenix has a perfect right to oppose Mr. Baldwin, but it should remember that Mr. Baldwin has just as much right as anybody to aspire to the lieutenant-governorship. It is not good journalism to say the least, to get down into the mud and besmear a citizen whose record is clean and who stands well where he is best known. (Morrisville News & Citizen.)

This is in reply to a paragraph last week to this effect: "With such men as Judge Stanton and Mr. Bartlett in the field there should be plenty of seats in the rear of the hall for candidates of the calibre of Baldwin of Barton." The News & Citizen is either very forgiving or very forgetful. The opposition of The Phoenix to Mr. Baldwin is founded largely on the obtuseness and lack of tact which he displayed when he was chairman of the Republican state committee. He at-

tempted to carry out a plan then which would have been a financial burden on every Republican newspaper in the state, and his reasons for so doing were hardly in the nature of a compliment to the editors of Vermont papers. If the News & Citizen has forgotten the incident in question The Phoenix will gladly refresh the contemporary's memory.

### A Coming Reform.

Some of the Vermont papers are discussing, pro and con, the advisability of enacting a caucus law to govern our Vermont political primaries as is done in many other states. We see no objection to the enactment of such a law, though we are of opinion the voters can take care of the caucuses in their own way for the present.

What is needed, however, is an addition to our elections laws, compelling every candidate for office to file, at the close of the campaign, a sworn itemized statement of his campaign expenditures, as is done in Massachusetts, New York, and some other states. The need was never so great as today. If you don't believe it, talk with men who know how the McCullough canvass is being worked on the west side of the state.

### Both Sides.

The fourth page of The Phoenix is the most interesting page of the paper today from a political point of view. On the 22d of March, as there stated, the Burlington Free Press printed a letter from ex-Gov. John W. Stewart which was accepted by that paper as the strongest statement that could be made in behalf of Gen. McCullough's candidacy. To that statement ex-Gov. Josiah Grout sent an answer which the Free Press, for reasons sufficient to itself doubtless, refused or neglected to print. Gov. Grout's answer was printed in the St. Albans Messenger of Wednesday.

Because we know of no reason why both sides should not be heard in this canvass, we print both letters in full. For the time being this is a campaign of education. Read the letters and form your own estimate of the points made. Josiah Grout at least succeeds in making his meaning tolerably clear.

### A Proud Record.

Dartmouth College has always been a nursery of great men, and it has seemed to be the particular forte of her sons to win distinction in public life. The growth of Dartmouth in the decade under President Tucker's administration is very gratifying to the alumni and friends of the institution. The number of students has grown in ten years from 458 to 791, and at present there are 54 members of the academic faculty, exclusive of nine lecturers in the Amos Tuck school of administration and finance. The college has likewise profited in a material way, over \$1,500,000 having been received in endowments. Butterfield museum, Wilder physical laboratory, the heating plant, College hall and Richardson and Fayerweather dormitories have been built, besides the acquired possession of Hubbard house and the remodeling of the old Chandler hall. At the present time the foundations are laid for a magnificent Webster memorial hall to be erected this year, and \$100,000 has been given the college for the erection of a building for the use of the Tuck school.

The influence of President Tucker over the general morale of the college cannot be too highly estimated. The cane rush, football rush, and other relics of barbarous days have gone,

together with hazing and the outlandish dress of the earlier Dartmouth student. President Tucker therefore enters upon his second decade with an original plan in full working order and promising much for the future.

### Proctor.

"Too Much Proctor."  
"The Heir Apparent."  
"The House of Proctor."  
"Proctor's Name is Proctor."

These are the phrases of derision which certain of the McCullough retainers are using to discredit the candidacy of Fletcher D. Proctor for the Vermont governorship. They are easy to say. They have a certain glib and catchy sound. But is there anything in the name of Proctor for the State of Vermont to be ashamed of?

Think this over and answer the question for yourself.

### The Waldorf-Astoria Dictators.

It is something new in Vermont's political history when a few self-constituted dictators meet in secret convulse in New York's most aristocratic hotel and decide that a candidate for the governorship must withdraw his name, and a substitute enter the field. Will the voters of the state submit to such dictation and fall into line for this ring's candidate? We believe they will not. If Fletcher D. Proctor was willing to strive for the prize why did he not announce it at the opening of the campaign and not wait for his name to be sprung upon the public under such circumstances? (White River Journal Landmark.)

We believe that when the inside history of the now famous New York or Waldorf-Astoria meeting is made public it will involve the honor of some who now stand in high places. These all-the-year-round Vermonters who have so long cloaked their deeds with robes of sanctity and proclaimed themselves "holier than thou" will be shown up in their true light and their peridy exposed. (Lyndonville Journal.)

The McCullough papers have had something to say about "insinuations and innuendoes" in this campaign from the Proctor side, but nearly all if not all of the McCullough supporters have sought to create a prejudice against Mr. Proctor by intimating that some meeting was held at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in New York, when it was decided to have Col. Webb withdraw and to place Mr. Proctor in the field. The two clippings above are samples of the fair minded discussion in this respect.

It is time for the Lyndonville Journal, the White River Junction Landmark and others of that ilk to drop covert and malicious allusions and to confine themselves to facts, not fancies nor falsehoods. We will wager a big red apple that neither the Journal nor the Landmark can tell a single fact about any political conference of Vermonters held at the Waldorf-Astoria or elsewhere in New York city which had any bearing whatever upon Fletcher D. Proctor's entrance into the gubernatorial contest. Mr. Proctor never attended such a conference, and never knew such an one was held. It is up to the Journal and the Landmark, et al., to tell what they know about a New York conference.

### Here's a Puzzle.

If any of Senator Dillingham's friends have been deluded into the belief that there is no canvass being made for his seat in Congress, they can, by spending a few days in this vicinity, have their hallucination dissolved. (Lyndonville Journal.)

"The True Story of Paul Revere's Ride" is told to the readers of the New England Magazine by Charles Ferris Gettys in the April issue, and is especially timely in this month of anniversaries of patriotic events. The value of this article is greatly enhanced by its wealth of illustrations and copious of rare old documents.

## Two Arguments for McCullough.

(From the Montpelier Journal, Arthur Ropes Editor.)

Well, no one took any stock in the declaration of the little Judas of the Phoenix, whose past treacheries and recent assaults on Dr. Webb and Gen. McCullough with the famous little hatchet it was just now brandishing in childish glee, have earned him chiefly contempt and ridicule. There seems nothing further now for him to do, by way of imitation of his ancient prototype, but the culminating act in that worthy's career. Against its happening the local health officer should take precautions for the sanitary well being of that community.

(From the Montpelier Journal, Arthur Ropes Editor.)

If Gen. McCullough's candidacy survives the support it is receiving from Brer. Ropes' Montpelier Journal, we shall have to admit that it had more vitality than we ever supposed. (Randolph Herald and News.)

To the childish mind of the contemporary, this seems to be the conclusion of the whole matter—the sole and accustomed answer of newspaper editors without a case, on the defensive and on the run, without a square inch of solid ground to stand upon, doped into the support of a political not hatched at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, by a group of politicians aiming at political control in Vermont, and suckled by wet nurses recently convened at the Touraine in Boston. What a nondescript is this thing, conceived in much abhorred New York, baptized in Massachusetts, a trio of Vermont newspaper editors its godfathers, and laid on the doorsteps of the state of Vermont for its citizens to take in, adopt and fondly embrace. But the people of Vermont refuse to take the bait in its parentage has been disclosed and it abides "pulling and puking in its mother's arms."

### Gen. McCullough's Democratic Ways.

The following is from the St. Albans Messenger of Wednesday:  
(Brattleboro Correspondence Boston Globe.)

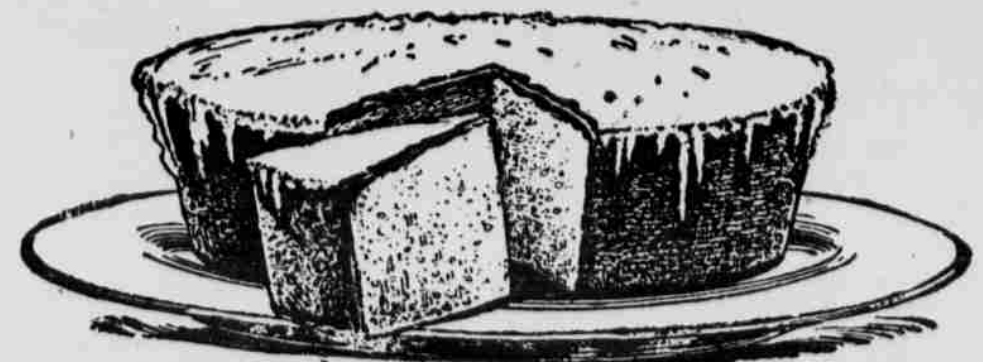
Those who saw General McCullough as he took the train from Brattleboro for New York on the day of the funeral of General Estey would hardly suspect him of being a millionaire. He had his luncheon with him in his pocket, and as soon as he boarded the train he ate his luncheon in the most democratic manner. If any of the people have an idea that he is distant and unapproachable simply because he has great wealth, the idea would have been dispelled if they had seen him on the day in question.

### [Squashville Gazette.]

General John G. McCullough passed through our village today, riding in a common railway coach hitched to a common locomotive on a common track. The General is a very human being. He is a millionaire and has plenty of money besides, but he carries a frugal lunch in a shoe-box, and during the brief stop of the train would several votes from the ardent Vermonters who gathered about the car window by eating his homely meal in their presence. A murmur of admiration ran through the train when it was observed that the General eats by opening a gap in his complexion and stuffing it full of food. The General's lunch consisted of angel cake and tripe. He is now making a tour of the state eating broken victuals out of old paper bags from the rear platform of an Erie director's car, with the idea of demonstrating that he is a Vermont. The Gazette is requested to say that at the various stops made by the train the General will eat anything that is brought to him just to show that he is friendly to the people of the state. There is a rumor that the envious Proctor crowd, chagrined at this adroit move on the part of McCullough, is rigging up a special train and will send out a goat to do the same thing.

[Least there should be some misapprehension about the above, we wish to say that the Boston Globe paragraph actually appeared in the Brattleboro correspondence of that paper soon after the day of General Estey's funeral.—Ed. Phoenix.]

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